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This application is continued from pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/910,515 ("Base for Food Containers"), now allowed, which was filed on July 19, 2001.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies are enclosed of only those references not already of record or cited by the Examiner in a prior related application.

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